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BROWN, RUDNICK, BERLACK & ISRAELS, LLP. ATTN: MARIA M. ELISEEVA ONE FINANCIAL CENTER BOX IP, 18TH FLOOR BOSTON, MA 02111 US

Dear Sir/Madam,

This is to Deny your refund request in the amount of \$130.00, for patent/serial number 09683795.

The refund is denied because at the time the money was to be charged to the deposit account the account was inactive. However, this is due to the fact that whoever sent the case, sent the wrong deposit account number. See enclosed transmittal.

Sincerely,

ELEANOR KURTZ Office of Initial Patent Examination Refund Section, Office of Finance